

South Shore Habitat for Humanity Application Period Extended

South Shore Habitat for Humanity is extending the application period for its Duxbury house. SSHH wishes to offer the opportunity to apply for affordable Habitat housing to as many qualified Duxbury families as possible. The extension will allow more time.

Qualified families wishing to apply to own the Habitat house are asked to call SSHH at 781-843-9080 to set up an appointment for a home interview. Applications will be available only at the time of this interview. The deadline for appointments is October 13.

The Habitat house will be a new three-bedroom, single-family home on Tremont Street; construction will start this fall.

Duxbury families who can demonstrate a severe housing need, whose income is within

Habitat guidelines and who are financially qualified are encouraged to apply to purchase the home. Families will be chosen without respect to age, sex, sexual preference, disability, race, religion or national origin.

Families with disabled members who need special facilities may be able to be accommodated.

The selected family will purchase the home at cost and will receive 20-year, zero-interest financing by Habitat. The home is estimated to cost \$60,000 to \$65,000. The Habitat mortgage principal payment will be about \$260 per month. The homeowners will also be responsible for paying property taxes, insurance and for home up-keep.

The selected family must invest "sweat equity" time in their home. The required 500

sweat equity hours can be accumulated by working along with other volunteers on construction, landscaping, site clean-up, fundraising and other tasks.

Applications will be accepted only from current Duxbury residents who have lived in Duxbury for at least one year.

All candidates should meet the following annual gross family income guidelines. Extenuating circumstances will be considered — family of one to three, \$19,000 to \$25,000; family of four, \$19,000 to \$26,000; family of five, \$19,000-\$28,000; family of six or more, \$19,000 to \$29,000.

For more information, write to South Shore Habitat for Humanity Inc., 28 River Street, Braintree, MA 02184 or call 781-843-9080.